DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

Included in this service area is the County's contribution to the Williamsburg-James City County Health Department, a State agency with shared funding. The department offers a wide range of preventive, diagnostic, and rehabilitative medical and health services to all County residents, regardless of age, sex, race, or income whenever the need arises. Other clinical services are provided by a not-for-profit corporation, Williamsburg Area Medical Assistance Corporation (WAMAC). The Williamsburg Area Medical Assistance Corporation is funded by local jurisdictions, the local hospital, local businesses, and the State Health Department. It is staffed by volunteer physicians and paid administrative and nursing staff. The Corporation focuses on family practice to low-income families who have no or limited access for their health care needs. Local funds are also used to primarily provide prenatal care.

The Comprehensive Health Investment Program (CHIP) targets children, birth to age 6, and assists in providing access to health care in the community.

The County also contributes funds to the Colonial Services Board, a regional agency that provides overall administration and coordination of mental health, mental retardation, and substance abuse programs for Williamsburg, James City County, York County, and Poquoson. Services include psychiatric evaluation and treatment, individual and group counseling, drug and alcohol abuse treatment, vocational workshops for the developmentally disabled, and special educational and rehabilitation programs for handicapped children. Local funding is shared according to an agreed, predetermined formula. Funding for administrative expenses is based on population, while programmatic funding is based 20 percent on population and 80 percent on current utilization figures.

BUDGET SUMMARY

	-	FY 03 Budget	FY 04 Adopted Plan	-	FY 04 Adopted
Public Health Contribution	\$	214,884	\$ 223,479	\$	214,692
Local Effort		3,454	3,454		3,454
WAMAC		290,000	290,000		300,000
CHIP		15,000	15,000		15,000
Mental Health (CSB)		573,761	587,344		573,761
Total Health Services	\$	1,097,099	\$ 1,119,277	\$	1,106,907

BUDGET COMMENTS

The funding for public health generally reflects the County's utilization of the regional Public Health Department, and Williamsburg Area Medical Assistance Corporation (WAMAC). The local required funding for the Health Department remains virtually level. The County's General Fund contribution to WAMAC increases \$10,000 with an additional \$15,000 appropriation from Revenue Maximization funding shown on Page F-2. Level funding is proposed for the Comprehensive Health Investment Program (CHIP), who will also receive revenue maximization funds of \$26,200. Level funding is also proposed for the Colonial Services Board (CSB) which has an additional appropriation of \$18,282 from Revenue Maximization Funds as shown on Page F-2. Funding for the CSB was kept to FY 2003 levels in consideration of the CSB undesignated cash balances, which are substantial and as an attempt to avoid making up State funding reductions.